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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, IT, GW

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE SALE OF 400 ITALIAN M-113'S TO FRG

REF: ROME 0948

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REGARDING SUBJECT MATTER
IS PROVIDED:

A. FRG REQUIREMENT IS FOR THE GERMAN ARMY AND IS
FOR THE GERMAN CONFIGURATION OF THE M-113A1.

B. FMS CASE DA GERMANY VJZ COVERS THE SAME REQUIRE-
MENT AHD IS IN DIRECT COMPETITION WITH THE REQUEST FOR
AN ITALIAN OFFER. FMS CASE DA GERMANY VJZ HAS AN
EXPIRATION DATE OF 31 JANUARY 1975, WHICH WAS EXTENDED
FROM THE ORIGINAL EXPIRATION DATE OF 30 DECEMBER 1974,
AND CANNOT BE EXTENDED BEYOND 31 JANUARY 1975.

C. FRG DEFENSE MINISTRY IS LOOKING FOR A BETTER
OFFER ON PRICE AND/OR AVAILABILITY FROM ITALIAN
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INDUSTRY. IF THIS IS NOT FORTHCOMING, THE FRG DEFENSE

MINISTER IS EXPECTED TO ACCEPT FMS CASE DA GERMANY VJZ.
THE TIME REQUIRED FOR FRG TO OBTAIN AND EVALUATE AN
ITALIAN OFFER COULD WELL DELAY AN FRG DECISION UNTIL
AFTER THE CUTOFF DATE ON FMS CASE DA GERMANY VJZ.

D. SINCE FMS CASE DA GERMANY VJZ EXCEEDS \$25 MILLION,
A NEW OR REVISED LETTER OF OFFER WOULD BE SUBJECT TO
DELAY TO OBTAIN CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL UNDER THE
FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1974.

2. THE ABOVE INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED BY THE MAAG HERE
IN EMBASSY BONN AS BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR THOSE
WHO MUST DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT TO ACCEDE TO
ITALIAN MOD REQUEST.
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